

of the proceeds of their labour, a sum of money not exceeding CHAP. 229. thirty dollars, at their discretion, and discharge the same, and the said convict shall be banished the state of Maryland; and if any such discharged convict shall be found within the limits of said state after the expiration of sixty days subsequent to the day of their discharge, he or she may be apprehended and sold, by any person finding him or her, as a slave for the term of his or her original conviction, upon proof being shown to any judge of a court of record, or any two justices of the peace of the county where said discharged convict shall be apprehended, that he or she has been confined in and discharged from said penitentiary.

10. *And be it enacted*, That the salaries of all officers, agents and servants, as shall be authorised by the legislature, or appointed by the directors under the authority of the act passed at December session 1817, shall be fixed and regulated by the legislature alone, and all such parts of said act which authorises the directors to fix and regulate said salaries, are hereby repealed; *Provided*, that the salaries, as they are now fixed by the directors, and which they are authorised to give, shall remain and be paid to the several officers until the same are altered by a future legislature. Salaries of officers to be fixed by legislature

11. *And be it enacted*, That the board of directors may appoint two of their number who shall be styled The Superintending Committee, who shall attend three days in each week, one hour at least, at the penitentiary, and one hour at least at the store in the city, and shall perform the several duties imposed on the superintending committee appointed by the directors in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-five; and the said committee shall be allowed, out of the profits of the institution, two dollars per day for each and every day they shall necessarily attend. Superintending committee

CHAP. CCXXX.

An Act to authorise the Trustees of the Poor of Charles County to purchase Land and build a new Poor's House. Passed Mar 12 1827

1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the trustees of the poor of Charles county be and they are hereby authorised to contract for and purchase a tract of land not exceeding two hundred acres, of which not less than fifty acres shall be in wood, for the use of the paupers of said county, and to erect suitable buildings of brick on the land so purchased, for the accommodation of the said paupers, provided that the purchase money for the said land does not exceed two thousand dollars, and the cost of said buildings does not exceed four thousand dollars. Trustees to purchase land and erect building

2. *And be it enacted*, That if the said trustees, or a majority of them, shall be of opinion that it will be more *disadvantageous* to erect suitable buildings on the land upon which the present poor's house is situated, that they, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby authorised to build a suitable house or houses of brick on the said land. May build upon land where present house is situated

3. *And be it enacted*, That if the said trustees shall determine to purchase, as provided for in the first section of this act, so soon as the said tract of land shall have been purchased, and If purchase is made present lot and house to be sold